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On: TEXAS MEAT GOAT INVENTORY UP 5 PERCENT

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AUSTIN . . . According to the annual report released by the Texas Field Office, the inventory of milk goats on January 1, 2006 totaled 30,000 head, equal to the 2005 estimate. Meat and other goats, previously referred to as Spanish and other goats, totaled 1.08 million head, 5 percent above the 2005 estimate. Total state inventory of Angora goats is 210,000 head, unchanged from the 2005 estimate.

All goat inventory in the United States on January 1, 2006, totaled 2.83 million head. Breeding goat inventory totaled 2.35 million head and market goats totaled 471,800 head. On January 1, 2006, meat and all other goats totaled 2.26 million head, milk goats totaled 288,000 head and Angora goats totaled 278,000 head. The 2005 kid crop was 1.84 million head for all goats.